JAMES M. DUPONT
391 VALLEY ROAD
WATCHUNG, NEW JERSEY 07060

Nov 11, 1969

Dear Mr Newman –

It was a privilege to meet you eyeball to eyeball in Washington –

As pointed out – you are welcome to any material I have. (a photocopy of the Freehold note turned out trouble – it is too dark) Perhaps an actual photograph will do better –

My interest is strictly New Jersey – I do go ostensibly occasionally – good Bourbon is the catalytic agency that does it – I realize that N.J. is plenty big enough to handle.

Should you be in the area it would be a pleasure to have you stop over for a visit — got lots of room — and both my wife and I love good company.

Cannot sign-off without thanking you for your "Early Bird Money"

Come & visit first chance you get

Sincerely

Jim Ross

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6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

December 7, 1970

Mr. James DuPont
391 Valley Road
Watchung, New Jersey 7060

Dear Jim:

It was very nice for you to telephone me and to write me concerning the small change notes of the 1790 period. I certainly would like the opportunity to acquire a great many of them as I never have seriously collected them in the past.

You may know that I am researching the 1790-1800 period paper money, at the present time, to add to my book, EARLY PAPER MONEY OF AMERICA, if a revision will be welcomed by the publisher in a few years. I will talk to you about this at the first opportunity. Any other pieces you have in your collection would be helpful to my study.

I have a number of New Jersey Colonial pieces, in duplicate, and a substantial number of Colonials from other states, so I am sure we can work the matter out by trade or cash.

I appreciate, very much, that you are giving me first opportunity as to the items mentioned and would appreciate your sending me the listed pieces for examination at your earliest opportunity.

I'll be telephoning you when you return.

Kindest regards,

Eric

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February 3, 1971

Mr. James DuPont
391 Valley Road
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Dear Jim:

Your nice letter of January 30, 1971 reflected one of the great joys of collecting - namely - sharing a hobby with someone so that both derive increased knowledge and pleasure from it. I sincerely enjoyed my visit and thank you and your wife for your hospitality in all forms from Swedish meatballs to Kleenex to a ball point, to bus waiting. You are a true collector whose collection was a delight to behold.

I told my wife about your befriending the plastic prince of Jamaica and she was amazed. I have not yet recovered from the shock that you knew Dr. Schmidt, some of whose numismatic naughtiness I will send you when I find the printed report containing it.

With respect to our exchange, I want you to know that the signature on the 4d Presbyterian Congregation note on the one left with you is clearer than on mine, but I don't want to break your heart. As you know, several of the notes I received from you are torn and you, I believe, got not only notes from your favorite states, but in better condition as a whole than those I received. I felt that I should have the black Schenectady note as part of the exchange so let's let the matter stay closed as it is.

As to my obtaining pictures of your pieces, I think I have a good idea. If you are coming to St. Louis, and believe me, I will be immensely pleased if you do, you can bring your book and we can adjust the Xerox machine here and use appropriate paper so that clear dark images can be made. We can make a set of Xerox copies for you as well. There will be no risk and no cost. If you don't come to St. Louis on the way to see your son, then I will send you a list of those I need pictures of particularly, although I would rather have your entire change note etc. collection Xeroxed.

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February 3, 1971

Mr. James DuPont

So that I can begin a little further research, could you send me some kind of a Xerox of the following:

6d, 1s and 2s - Pittsburgh, Penna. 1777

German Reformed Church, Schohary

Bank of New York, 1786

Norwich Bank, Connecticut - both sides of either one

Jane Craig, Freehold, New Jersey

I am certainly going to take you up on your helping with the study of the change notes. You seem so eager to delve into the unknown, I can't wait to see if you get hooked on research like I am. There is no satisfaction like working out the puzzles of numismatics.

There are a few more duplicates of yours which I do not have, namely, the following:

2d Constitution Society of Duchess County

1d Presbyterian Congregation of Troy

2d Presbyterian Congregation of Troy

1d Wray and Lamberton, Carlyle, Pennsylvania

2d Lansingburgh Museum

I would like to trade to you Colonials you do not have. In order to accomplish this you might lend me your copy of Early Paper Money of America containing your inventory and I will send it back within a day or two.

Thank you, again, for arranging the delightful meeting.

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Mr. James DuPont

February 3, 1971

Since you have been all over the world, I will expect you to find your way to St. Louis. The sooner, the better. The distance between us will grow shorter as we work together on our mutual interest.

My best wishes to you and your wife and I know you will enjoy meeting my wife.

Cordially,

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February 15, 1971

Mr. James DuPont
391 Valley Road
Watchung, New Jersey 7060

Dear Jim:

I put in a few hours of research and I came up with the following newspaper notice relating to your New York counterfeit change note:

Commercial Advertiser April 24, 1799

SMALL CHANGE NOTES

ISSUED BY THE CORPORATION

The Common Council having received information from Mr. King, minister from the United States to Great Britain that a discovery had been made of the counterfeiting of the above Notes by some person or persons in London, have directed that those Notes be immediately taken out of circulation and that Mr. Phoenix, their Treasurer, do receive and pay for all that shall be brot to him by the first day of June next.

ROBERT BENSON, Clk.

New York, April 22, 1799

To be published in the daily papers every day for a week.

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Commercial Advertiser
Jan. 24, 1799

SMALL CHANGE NOTES

ISSUED BY THE CORPORATION

In order to contradict a false report that the Corporation had called in and stopped the circulation of the Notes issued

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February 15, 1971

for small change to accommodate the inhabitants of this city - the Common Council have directed that the inhabitants of this city and others be informed that they hold themselves bound and will provide for the payment of all those Notes heretofore issued and now in circulation and all such as may by their authority be hereafter issued and put in circulation.

Jan. 14 ROB. BENSON, Clk.

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I know you will be fascinated by this exciting information. Don't ask me how I found it, as I was just lucky.

I'll shortly be looking for things for you, but wanted you to have this pronto.

Cordially,

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February 22, 1971

Mr. James Du Pont
391 Valley Road
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Dear Jim:

Thank you for the picture of your new find. It is much better if the Xerox pictures are put on chalk white paper. I am enclosing a sample of Xerox paper of the type I use and also of another type which is available.

As I told you, if there is any difficulty in your taking the pictures, we can take what I need and some for you whenever you plan to come. Please let me know as long in advance as you can when you plan to come through here.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

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March 23, 1971

Mr. James DuPont
391 Valley Road
Watchung, New Jersey 7060

Dear Jim:

I am so pleased you enjoyed your visit here.

The 1892 South Africa piece shocked me. It is a beauty. From what you say, you must have other forgeries of his eminence and I would like a list of them. Yours are truly genuine forgeries with pedigree. It is not often you get them from the "maker" himself. My wife thanks you and I thank you.

I presume you are getting the book on the entanglement of his eminence with the law.

Made some research progress on the Albany issues and will hope progress can be made on other issues. Many of my hooks are out fishing.

I look forward to the data and photocopies you are sending me. I can't find the Zerbe article on the Moravian Church in Salem (didn't you say it was the 1927 Numismatist?) and hope you can clarify it.

My best wishes for a continuing successful numismatic hunt.

Sincerely yours,

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STATE OF TENNESSEE
TREASURER OF STATE
Dollars
Pay the sum of One Dollar
Given under my hand at

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Oct 12 1971

Hi Eric –

long time no hear!!!
got lots of new notes but have been traveling – so my "stuff" is put away in the vault –

this inclosed "stat" is done by Bank – TR WHITNEY St Louis Mo – any interest?

If so how about a colonial note I don't have –?

Regards
Jim

PS. Had a beautiful trip to Greenland – fabulous!

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October 22, 1971

Mr. James M. DuPont
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Dear Jim:

Welcome back from all your trips. I appreciated your postal cards and know how much fun you had in your wanderings.

I have the Cass County Illinois note which you recently acquired.

I hope our paths cross soon and want you to know that my research is continuing unabated.

Cordially,

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September 24, 1973

Mr. James DuPont
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Watchung, New Jersey 07060

Dear Jim:

Our paths have not crossed in a long time. You were wandering around the world and sent me post cards, so I knew you had not lost your pep.

I thought of you as I lectured on counterfeiting to the International Association of Professional Numismatists, and showed them the Dr. Schmidt counterfeit. This was in Washington a week ago. I scared them, I hope.

I want you to know I am revising Early Paper Money of America for a Centennial Edition, and if you have any changes or additions, please advise. Imam adding the change notes to the book, so you will see some of your notes in picture.

I cannot find my copy of the International Association of Professional Numismatic Forgery discussion. Did I lend it to you? It was 120 pages long, published in 1967, and you wanted to obtain one according to my correspondence.

Kindest regards,

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W2DEO
Jim DuPont
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Oct 1, 1973

Hi Eric —

Long time no see!

Met a neighbor of yours in Kenya — runs the Botanical Gardens in your town — nice guy + wife —

Never saw a I.A.P.N.F. Bulletin, but alone borrow one — look!! + you will find it!

Been out of touch with notes — can't seem to find any new ones — get an occasional Colonial or Broken Bank from N.J.

T.P.O.

Made two Round the world in six months – both times wound up in Perth have 5 grand children there!

As soon as I stop spinning I'll look & see what is new!

Sure would appreciate a copy of the work when its published!

Best Regards

Tom

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U.S.A.

Dec 12 1974

Hi Eric —

Got ur epistles — been very busy — notes temporarily forgotten in Bank Vault & hav'nt seen em since they were buried —

For the last month my wings have been clipped — No travel — supposed to be in Europe —

Don't particularly appreciate ur "digs" — however knowing ur enthusiasm — I understand. U do however have a short

memory — I did make a
pilgrimage to "Mecca" &
can't even remember a
thank u —

Happy Holidays
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December 20, 1974

Mr. Jim DuPont
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Watchung, New Jersey 07060

Dear Jim:

I am sorry you have travel restrictions. That must be hard on you as you have real wanderlust. It would be terrible for me.

Please don't be angry with me for begging for your cooperation. I know you came to St. Louis and I believe I let you have a gorgeous 1775 Continental because of that. We did have fun together.

Have a good holiday and help me if you can.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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